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*In re* Patent Application of  
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For: OLIGOSACCHARIDE ALDONIC  
ACIDS AND THEIR TOPICAL USE

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

Supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment filed on November 13, 2001,  
and prior to examination, please amend the application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 1, and please add new claims 111- 158:

111. (New) A composition comprising (A) an acceptable vehicle or base and (B) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound selected from the group consisting of isolactobionic acid, maltobionic acid, isomaltobionic acid, cellobionic acid, gentiobionic acid, laminarabionic acid, melibionic acid, nigerobionic acid, rutinobionic acid, sophorobionic acid, and kojibionic acid as isomeric, nonisomeric, free acid, ester, salt, partial salt, lactone, saturated or unsaturated, and straight or branched chain, or cyclic forms thereof.

112. (New) The composition of claim 111, further comprising a cosmetic, pharmaceutical, or other topical agent.

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